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Psychologist explains veterans' struggles with PTSD, how to treat

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Whenever someone witnesses a traumatic event, there is the possibility the person seeing the event will have difficulties processing what he or she experienced.

The result is referred to as Post Traumatic Stress Disorder, or more commonly referred to as PTSD for short.

The seminar on Tuesday, September 9, in the atrium of the Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Office Building, was made possible because of a request by Ho-Chunk Nation Veterans Affairs Administrator Sandra Winneshiek.

"Basically, I wanted to inform veterans and families of what PTSD is and I want to make sure the veterans' needs are met," Winneshiek said. "People can be affected by a number of different reasons, not just combat."

Tamara Woods, psychologist with the Tomah VA Medical Center, provided a seminar on veterans' experiences with PTSD and how it is treated.

"You can't have PTSD without a traumatic event outside the person's control," she said. "After the event, the natural progression is for an emotional or physical reaction to go down and eventually go away. But when that natural progression is interrupted, then those issues or problems are referred to as PTSD."

PTSD may come from a variety of traumatic events, including any terrifying incidents connected with combat, natural disaster, sexual assault, physical abuse, or serious accident.

According to collected data, about 60 percent of men and 50 percent of women in the United States experience at least one traumatic event in their lifetimes. Of those who do, about 8 percent of men and 20 percent of women will develop PTSD. For some events, like combat and sexual assault, more people develop PTSD.

When people revisit those events in their minds, when they re-experience that event, it creates problems in their lives.

"Those events are replayed – the memory pops into his or her mind. Those memories are unwanted and may occur when the person is aware or when asleep as nightmares and distressing dreams," she said.

"The memories are so vivid, often the person thinks he or she is still there – the moment is so real," Woods said. Often emotional or physical stress are the triggers to the flashbacks.

Consequently, people with PTSD often avoid people, places and certain situations that may lead to unwanted thoughts and reactions.

Often depression, drug and substance abuse and neurotic behavior is the result of PTSD.

"Our natural reaction to a traumatic event is the Fight or Flight or Freeze mechanism in each of us,"



Psychologist Tamara Woods of the Tomah VA Medical Center talks about the prevalence of PTSD among male veterans versus female veterans.

she said. "It causes blood to flow to the extremities, send the heart racing, chest pain, shortness of breath, dizziness, stomach pains, blurred or tunnel vision and numbness."

When a person frequently experiences those symptoms due to PTSD, not only will it cause the person to feel extremely uncomfortable, it can result in internal organ damage. Because of the uncomfortable feeling associated with PTSD, the person will do anything to avoid feeling that way again, Woods said.

When treating PTSD, most psychologists use Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Cognitive Processing Therapy, Prolonged Exposure, or Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing. Each of the methods fall under the category of psychotherapy.

Cognitive Behavioral Therapy involves meeting with a therapist once a week for three to six months. Cognitive Processing Therapy is a method to help the person identify trauma-related thoughts

and change them so they are more accurate and less stressful.

Prolonged Exposure is a method where the person talks about the trauma repeatedly until the memories are no longer upsetting.

"It involves revisiting the traumatic episode to desensitize the effects," Woods said. "It's like taking off an old bandage from a wound and cleaning it. It may be hurtful in the beginning, but it allows the wound to heal."

In certain situations, they will prescribe medications to deal with depression, sleep disorders, anxiety, anger and substance abuse, Woods said.

Winneshiek said that she is working on making PTSD treatment available at the new Veterans housing complex, currently being built in the Sandpillow area near Black River Falls.

Six to eight week residential programs are available to veterans with PTSD, Woods said.

When dealing with the treatment of PTSD, often

group therapy is more productive because veterans tend to listen and trust other veterans more than therapist. Therefore, many of the treatment sessions for PTSD are offered in group therapy, she said.



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An Open Letter to All Ho-Chunk Members

My name Gabrielle Littlebear Doherty, a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation. My family is proudly Ho-Chunk. We have Ho-Chunk family in Wisconsin, Canada, Utah, Illinois, Missouri, Colorado, Oklahoma, and Arkansas. We meet at family gatherings all around the nation. We are Ho-Chunk regardless of where we choose to meet or reside.

I am proud to say that I am a high school teacher of American Literature. My students get a unique perspective on United States history and literature, with a special emphasis on Native American history and oral culture. I get to proudly tell them about my background, as a Ho-Chunk, and educate them on our Nation's diversity regarding all things Native American. I consider this educating opportunity to be a blessing, because I know that indigenous people of our United States have been, and still continue to be slighted by history.

As Native Americans, we have been slighted, and we have been relocated to what the non-Native majority in power found to be "suitable

places" for our indigenous people to reside. Our own tribe's history is no exception to this atrocity. In 1836, we were moved to Iowa, and then we were moved once again in 1846 to Minnesota. From there we moved to South Dakota, and then we journeyed once again to Nebraska. We were told to only reside in our restricted reservation lands. Things changed when we became a ratified sovereign entity in 1963, and from then on, we've sought, as a Ho-Chunk people, to best serve our tribe.

Our Ho-Chunk Constitution's Preamble says this best:

"We the People, pursuant to our inherent sovereignty, in order to form a more perfect government, secure our rights, advance the general welfare, safeguard our interests, sustain our culture, promote our traditions and perpetuate our existence, and secure the natural and self-evident right to govern ourselves, do ordain and establish this Constitution for the Ho-Chunk Nation."

Our constitution and all of its sixteen articles seek to serve and sustain our Ho-Chunk Nation.

This is why I am so grieved

upon hearing about the proposed resolution to sever all of District 5 from our cultural identity as Ho-Chunk members.

Severing Native Americans from our unique, cultural identity is something that was done to us all throughout history by non-Natives in power in the United States. District 5 represents all Ho-Chunks that do not live within the confines of the state of Wisconsin. Severing the ties of tribal members that don't reside within a strict set of land boundaries is also reminiscent of that "reservation mentality" that was forced upon us, as indigenous people.

I am disappointed that we, as a nation, have to even acknowledge this proposed resolution. It is truly disgusting to me that we are to give attention to a resolution that seeks to oppress and divide us as a "Nation of the Big Voice".

In a time when tribes are dying out, it is sad that we are willing to give an ear to a

resolution that is in direct violation of Article II of our Constitution, and that seeks to do the exact opposite of sustaining us as a nation.

The proposers of this resolution are not looking out for the best interests of this nation. They are counting on each Ho-Chunk present at General Council to look only to his/her own personal interests, rather than to the interests of the nation, as a whole. They are counting on us to ignore the bigger implications of this proposal. What they are not counting on, however, is for us to do what we've done all along to ensure the prosperity and unity of our people. They've forgotten that our nation would not still be standing here, and standing tall, at that, if we hadn't looked to our interests as a whole people up until now. We would not be as successful as we are now, had we only been selfish with voices and votes. Let us remind them, and remind ourselves of these things.

Our five districts are created for our tribal members, but the members aren't defined by their districts! Members are defined by a history, a nation, and a bloodline, not by their location. Let us not allow ourselves to once again become enslaved to the idea that we are restricted to a certain land territory.

Our Ho-Chunk people's freedom from a reservation land, and our freedom to thrive where we please, while still maintaining pride in our cultural identity, is being compromised by this proposed resolution.

Please defeat this insulting proposal that seeks to dishonor our tribe. Let us restore honor to our tribe by speaking up. Let us, as a Ho-Chunk people, look forward to the future, longevity, and sustainability of our great tribal nation. Let us remain one united people with one big voice.

With Deepest Hope,
Gabrielle Littlebear Doherty
District 5 of the
Ho-Chunk Nation

October

Elders Birthdays

1 Rachel Haas

Eleanore Johnson

Frank Johnson Jr.

Vanverd Dick Jr.

Serena Yellowthunder

2 Dolli Bigjohn

Helen Lonetree

Joseph Keller

3 Joseph White

Kay Decorah

Sanford Conant

Sandra Martin

Maynard Funmaker

4 Bebe Lee

5 Iris Laes

7 Gene Whitewater

Andrew Thundercloud Jr.

Archie White Eagle

8 Frederick Mallory Sr.

Irene Keenan

Rhoda Rave

9 Edward Littlejohn Jr.

11 Ramona Godsby

Harry Whitehorse

Reta Littlegeorge

Linda Hopinkah

12 Cleland Goodbear

Theresa Hartman

Sherry White

Donald St Cyr

Loa Porter

Cynthia Decorah

Ronald Kirkwood

13 Steven Littlegeorge

Anthony Oknewski

14 Edward Mc Cabe

John Tudahl

Timothy Whiteagle

Evelyn Shepard

Decorah, Lona

15 William Greendeer

Deborah Weaver

16 Wayne Decorah

Frances Little Wolf

Duane Prescott

17 Ellen Stenseth

Parmenton Decorah

Robert Johnson

Linda Greendeer

18 Rose Saylor

Gary Funmaker Sr.

Sophie Paremski

19 John Funmaker

Joyce Williams

20 Peter Oknewski Sr.

Daryl Thundercloud

Tommy Winneshiek

24 Shirley Lonetree

26 Ida Carrier

David Esau Sr.

Bradley Smith

27 Paulina Brandes

Lawrence Geyer

28 Cynthia Yellowcloud

George Kearnes

29 Colin Carrimon

Benjamin Decorah

30 Florine Johnson

Bonnie Smith

31 Judith Buffalo

Dennis Funmaker

Tomah VA to hold drive through
flu shot clinics

October 8, 9 -- 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Who is eligible for Drive through flu shot clinic:
Veterans enrolled in VA healthcare

Enter at the Tomah VA's main entrance, and don't forget
to bring VA identification. You may stay in your car, but
please dress so you can expose your upper arm.

Tribal Veterans Service Officer
Telephone 715-284-4563

The Ho-Chunk Nation Department of Health will have a Health Tent during this year's General Council on September 27th. We will be offering a \$20 White-tail Crossing Gas Voucher incentive from 8am until quorum is established. Please remember to bring your tribal ID as well as any insurance information you have. Upon arrival you will be asked to update your contact information for our electronic health record and be given a stamp card pictured below. Once you have completed each location on the card and have it stamped by staff for each topic, you will receive your 2014 Report to the People and the \$20 gas voucher. Only Ho-Chunk Tribal members over the age of 18 are eligible for the incentive. Look for the Health tent during registration for General Council.

HCN Community Health

Patient Registration		HPV	
Height/Weight=BMI		Survey	
Flu Shots		Ticket Redemption	

Litke found his ‘dream job’ with the Ho-Chunk pharmacy

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

There’s a new pharmacist at the counter, eager and waiting to provide your prescriptions and to get to know his customers better.

Tony Litke’s first official day as staff pharmacist at the Ho-Chunk Nation Pharmacy in Black River Falls was June 16.

“It’s my dream job,” Litke said. “I didn’t think I would have a chance for the job. I jumped at the first chance.”

He fills the position vacated by Doug Beaver, who retired on May 23. Beaver served

as Ho-Chunk pharmacist for nine years.

Litke was born in the Coon Rapids, Minnesota, area and grew up in Becker, Minnesota, as well as in Illinois, Connecticut and Kentucky. The family moved quite a bit since his father worked for a food company.

He attended St. Cloud State University before moving to Utah State University to earn his undergraduate degree, majoring in biochemistry and minoring in biology.

Throughout his studies in Utah, he worked at a dairy manufacturing operation, test-

ing cheese curds, ice cream, cheese and chocolate milk as a Quality Assurance Technician.

After he graduated from Utah State, he moved near Portland, Oregon, with the intent to attend Pacific University – School of Pharmacy.

Before undertaking pharmacy classes, he took a year off to work and apply for pharmacy school. He worked at a mayonnaise factory as a taste tester, having to sample every batch.

“And no, I don’t like mayonnaise anymore – I won’t touch it,” he said.

His connection with the Ho-Chunk Nation came during that time while he was a student at pharmacy school.

“During pharmacy school, we could choose an elective rotation where we can work at an underserved community for the summer,” he said. “I came here as a student from August through October 2013 and was doing an internship – learning the ropes.”

Litke believes the working situation, and location, are ideal for him.

“Most of my family lives in Minnesota and my dad lives in Milwaukee,” he said.

He lives in a rural home near Mindoro, which is just the kind of country life he loves.

He also served a community last summer in the Matsu Valley in Alaska as a pharmacy intern, working with a native and non-native community.

But now he has landed the job he plans on keeping.

“I love it here,” he said. “Right away, I learned that Ho-Chunk people are the ‘People of the Big Voice.’ They’re very straightforward and will tell you exactly how it is. It’s a blessing to get to know everyone.”

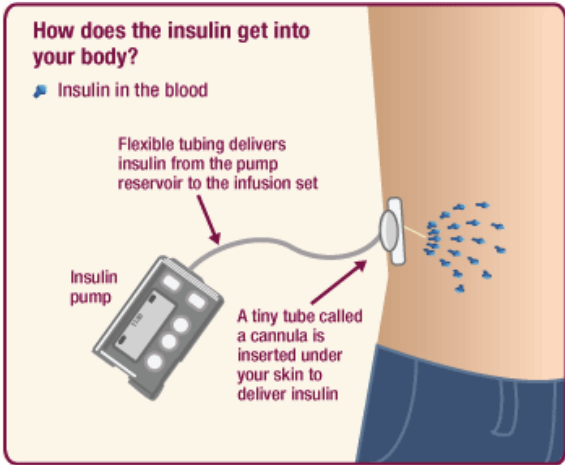


Tony Litke is eager to meet clients as the new pharmacist at the Ho-Chunk Pharmacy in Black River Falls.

ATTENTION: PEOPLE WITH DIABETES

Have you ever wondered if an insulin pump would be right for you? Are you having trouble getting your A1C’s and blood sugars down? Now is your chance to have the peace of mind you want and the flexibility you deserve without worrying about multiple insulin injections. Not on insulin but your oral diabetes medications aren’t lowering your lab values? You may also be a candidate for an insulin pump. The session will consist of being connected to a continuous glucose monitoring device that will check your blood sugars 288 times/day that will be displayed in a personalized summary

report. Come and see if you qualify for an insulin pump at the HOUSE OF WELLNESS located in the Alberta Day Room on Tuesday, October 14, 2014. You need to contact Criss Swanson, RN Nurse Educator at (608) 355-1240 ext. 5607 to reserve your spot, since space is limited. There will be one session only at 10:00 a.m. It’s time to get control of your life again! Call now and sign up today!



Attention: The Next Deadline of the Hocak Worak will be Oct. 10th which will be published on Oct. 17th. Please contact Enrollment at ext. 1015 if you have a change of address or would like to be placed on the mailing list.

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Harvest of the Month

Apples

Pick

- Choose apples that are firm with no bruises or soft spots.
- Color may vary depending on variety - it is not an indicator of ripeness.
- Depending on variety, apples can be sweet, tart or in between!

Store

- Apples can be stored at room temperature for a few days or in a plastic bag in the refrigerator for a few weeks.

Prepare

- Wash before eating; for the best nutritional value leave the skin on!
- To prevent browning, dip sliced apples in a mixture of lemon juice and water.

Nutrition Info

One medium apple has 95 calories and provides vitamin C, potassium and fiber.

Fun Facts

It takes about 36 apples to make one gallon of apple cider and two pounds of apples to make one apple pie!

25 percent of an apple's volume is air, that's why apples float.

Visit **Cain's Orchard** in Hixton, WI
20 acres of apples and 20 varieties!

Uses

Make a peanut butter and apple sandwich! Cut thin apple slices, spread with peanut or other nut butter and top with another apple slice! Sliced apples can also be added to other sandwiches & wraps.

Make your own apple dipping bar. Apple dips can include peanut butter, yogurt, caramel, pumpkin spice, Nutella and fruit dip; be creative!

The Harvest of the Month is a partnership between Jackson County Department of Health and Human Services, Black River Memorial Hospital, Together for Jackson County Kids, Ho-Chunk Nation, UW Extension-Jackson County, local school districts, and the community.

Adapted from La Crosse County HDM program.

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National Recovery Month

Excerpts from the National Recovery Month Toolkit: Targeted outreach located online at <http://recovery-month.gov/Recovery-Month-Kit/Targeted-Outreach.aspx#audience>

Every September, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) sponsors **National Recovery Month** to increase awareness of behavioral health conditions. This observance promotes the belief that behavioral health is essential to health, prevention works, treatment is effective, and people recover from mental and substance use disorders. The 25th Annual **Recovery Month** theme, **“Join the Voices for Recovery: Speak Up, Reach Out,”** encourages people to openly discuss mental and substance use disorders and the reality of recovery.

Signs of a mental health problem may include:

- Feeling very sad or withdrawn for more than two weeks;
- Showing signs of confusion and an inability to follow directions;
- Having unusual ideas and experiencing paranoia;
- Responding to hallucinations;
- Seriously trying to harm oneself or commit suicide, or making plans to do so;
- Experiencing sudden overwhelming fear for no reason, sometimes with a racing heart or fast breathing;
- Showing severe behavior that can hurt oneself or others;
- Not eating, throwing up, or using laxatives to lose weight;
- Having intense worries or fears that get in the way of daily activities;
- Experiencing extreme difficulty controlling behavior, putting oneself in physical danger or causing problems in school or at work;
- Using drugs or alcohol repeatedly;
- Having severe mood swings that can cause problems in relationships;
- Showing drastic changes in behavior or personality;
- Feeling tired or having problems sleeping;
- Loss of interest in activities once enjoyed.

If a friend or loved one is showing signs of a mental health problem, you can:

- Express concern and support;
- Find out if your friend or loved one is getting the care he or she needs and wants – if not, connect him or her to help;
- Ask questions, listen to ideas, and be responsive when the mental health problems come up;
- Offer to help your friend or loved one with everyday tasks;
- Include your friend or loved one in plans – continue to invite him or her without being overbearing, even if he or she resist your invitations
- Educate yourself and other people so they understand the facts about mental health problems and do not discriminate

- Treat him or her with respect, compassion, and empathy.

Signs and symptoms of a substance use problem may include:

- Sudden weight loss;
- Loss of interest in favorite activities and/or pastimes;
- Chronic coughing;
- Sudden drop in grades or work performance;
- Uncommon behavior problems at home, school, or work;
- Skipping class or appointments;
- Change in friends;
- Stealing;
- Excessive hunger;
- Runny nose;
- Loss of appetite.

If you suspect a friend or loved one has a substance use disorder:

- Talk to your friend or loved one when he or she is not intoxicated
- Convey your concern for your loved one’s well-being with specific, factual statements about their behavior;
- Openly discuss the negative consequences of your love one’s alcohol or substance use;
- Emphasize the difference between sober behavior that you like and behavior under the influence of drugs or alcohol that you dislike, but be sure to distinguish between the person and the behavior;
- Encourage your friend or loved one to consult with a professional to talk about his/her substance abuse problem.

You can offer to help them locate resources or go with them to an appointment.

Remember that there is no shame, only courage and honesty, in asking for help or reaching out to a person in need.

It is equally important for someone with a loved one struggling with behavioral health condition to seek the support they need, such as with counseling groups like Al-Anon/Ala Teen

Recovery from mental disorders and/or substance use disorders is: a process of change through which individuals improve their health and wellness, live a self-directed life, and strive to reach their full potential. For many people, recovery:

- Emerges from hope, which is fostered by friends, families, providers, colleagues, and others who have experienced recovery themselves;
- Occurs via many pathways, which may include professional clinical treatment, use of medications, support from families and in schools, faith-based approaches, peer support, and other approaches;
- Is holistic, meaning recovery encompasses a person’s whole life, including mind, body, spirit, and community;
- Is supported by relationships with peers and allies, and on social networks;
- Is culturally based and influenced;
- Is supported by addressing trauma, including physical or sexual abuse, domestic violence, war, disaster, or pro-



found loss;

- Involves individual, family, and community strengths and responsibilities;
- Is fostered by respect.

These principles of recovery can help people establish a blueprint for their own journey. However, it’s important for people living with these conditions to become aware that they are not alone in their efforts. The right support system can help ensure that those in need are addressing the four key aspects of recovery:

- Health: The person learns to overcome or manage his or her condition(s) or symptoms – and make informed, healthy choices that support physical and emotional well-being;
- Home: It is also important to have a stable and safe place to live;
- Purpose: A person in


recovery participates in meaningful daily activities, such as a job, school, volunteer opportunities, family caretaking, or creative endeavors, and has the independence, income, and resources to participate in society;

- Community: Relationships and social networks should provide support, friendship, love, and hope.

Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Every nine seconds, a woman is battered in the U.S. One in four women and one in seven men in the U.S. are victims of domestic violence some point in their lives. ~ Community, Lead News, Police & Fire, September 19, 2014 Author Mirror Milford


Please join us for the upcoming walks in honor of the Domestic Violence Awareness month. We walk in memory of all past and present victims and survivors affected by domestic violence.



October 10, 2014 House of Wellness Atrium, 10am to 2pm

October 17, 2014 Black River Falls, Tribal Office Building, 10am to 2pm

Contest judging for logo/slogan



HCN Department of Social Services

JEFFREY BUCHOLTZ

Tuesday
October 7th



9 - 10:30 am


Ho-Chunk
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Black River
Falls
Bingo Hall

W9040 Hwy 54E
BRF

October is Domestic
Violence Awareness
Month!

For the past eleven years, Jeff has worked as an activist and public speaker, providing hundreds of presentations and performances in the fields of sexual violence, masculinity, relationship violence, gender normativity, popular culture, violence prevention, stalking, bullying, working in alliances, feminist thought, and the intersectionality of oppression. Jeff has done extensive work with the male community to engage and involve men in violence prevention, including his work as co-chair of the San Diego Men’s Leadership Forum.





This 90 minute training/presentation is specifically designed for those individuals who work with victims/survivors. Please join us - coffee and donuts will be available.

Paint a bowl, make a difference

Melanie Sainz, Little Eagle Arts Foundation, Director

Little Eagle Arts Foundation (LEAF) is building community through the arts by hosting Empty Bowls, a grassroots movement held throughout the world to help end hunger. For \$15 individuals can purchase a handmade clay bowl filled with soup plus a piece of Native American fry bread at Fermentation Fest, Food Stop #15, 11am – 4pm, October 11 & 12, 2014. Our event will benefit the Adams and Reedsburg food pantries and LEAF.

LEAF Founding Director Melanie Sainz has facilitated

handmade clay bowl workshops throughout the area to support Empty Bowls. Central Wisconsin Community Action staff and summer lunch buddies program participants, Girl Scouts and Brownies from the Adams and Grand Marsh areas, and the 4th grade students from Spring Hill Elementary school in Wisconsin Dells have created handmade clay bowls to donate to the event.

Randy Thompson, owner of Paint It Pottery Shop in Wisconsin Dells, is inviting community members to help out in this community service effort in several ways. For \$10



Mrs. Ryan's Class Group



Skylar Waite, Natchurel Parker, Zoe Crowder, and Julian Acevedo.

you can purchase a bisque ware bowl, personally design and paint it with glazes of your choice, and donate your bowl to the Empty Bowls event. The handmade bowls created by community members can also be painted with glaze, free of charge. Paint It

Pottery Shop is donating their studio, glazes, and cost of kiln firing to Empty Bowls. Paint It Pottery Shop located at 517 Broadway, Wisconsin Dells, and is open everyday from 10am – 8pm.

Empty Bowls is made possible through the generosity

of our sponsors: Wormfarm Institute, Paoli Clay, WCCU Credit Union, Econoprint Inc., Paint It Pottery Shop, and all of our individual donors, ceramic artists, and volunteers.

Domestic Abuse Division (DAD) Logo and Slogan Contest

Attention all Ho-Chunk Nation Tribal Members



Participate in the contest to come up with the logo and slogan for YOUR domestic abuse division.

A logo with a slogan, in other words, a picture with a saying that will encourage the end of physical, mental and sexual violence.

Contest will be judged at the October Domestic Abuse Awareness Walks. Please submit your entry by September 30, 2014, to the Domestic Abuse Division Coordinator at the Social Services building in Black River Falls or Domestic Abuse Division, PO Box 40, Black River Falls, WI 54615. If you have a digital image that you would like to submit or an electronic copy you can email the entry to domesticabusedivision@ho-chunk.com. Please remember to submit your name, address, phone number, email address if available and also include your tribal identification number with your entry.

All entries will be displayed at the October area walks and participants will judge the entries. After the last walk in October the winner will be announced via the Hocak Worak. All entries will receive a consolation prize and the winning entry will receive a grand prize.

Any questions please call the DAD coordinator at 715.299.0431.



Empty Bowls

Eat the Soup, Keep the Bowl, Feed the Hungry

All proceeds will benefit the Adams and Reedsburg Food Pantries and Little Eagle Arts Foundation (LEAF)

October 11 & 12, 2014

For \$15 you will receive a ceramic bowl filled with Harvest soup and a piece of Native frybread. All clay bowls are handmade -- created and donated by local artists of all ages.

**Reedsburg Fermentation Fest
Farm/Art DTour Map Stop #15 La Valle Park Pavilion**

Intersection of Hwy 33/58 and Union St.

10 am – 4pm

Questions? (608) 253-4142

This event is made possible through the generosity of our sponsors: Wormfarm Institute, Paoli Clay, WCCU Credit Union, Econoprint Inc., Paint It Pottery Shop, and all of our individual donors, ceramic artists, and volunteers.

Ho-Chunk athletes look forward to sports season

Kathleen Roberts
Staff Writer

School has been in session for a few weeks and September is almost gone. Ho-Chunk athletes have been training and competing in games since August. Their dedication and love of sports brings them back to the field, to the golf course and into the gym to build strength and vigor for their game.

Portage High School students Pierson White and his sister Julia, are back to their favorite fall sports. He is a ninth grade student and is defensive end for the school's football team. White was ac-

tive in Portage's recreation program when he was in elementary school. "I knew I wanted to play football since I was in fourth grade," he said.

White participates in wrestling and golf through his school's athletic program. He also plays lacrosse offered through the Baraboo Area Lacrosse Association. The organization offers lacrosse for youth in Reedsburg, Wisconsin Dells, Baraboo and Portage.

"I enjoy sports and sports training such as weight lifting to get better at all the sports I play," said White. He recently participated in the North

American Indigenous Games (NAIG) held in Canada.

Julia White is a senior at Portage High School and also participated in NAIG this summer. Currently, she is in varsity golf and will be cheerleading this winter.

She will be traveling all over the state for golf tournaments August through late October. "I love putting, it's my thing. It's special to make a putt from far away," she said.

Ryan Littlegeorge attends Jack Young Middle School in Baraboo and enjoys participating in the Baraboo Soccer Club. He is a member of the classic traveling team, U-14 Storm. The position he plays is defender, which is also referred to as fullback.

The Ho-Chunk Nation sponsors the soccer teams with matched funding for the Baraboo Soccer Club. When Ryan was asked what he likes about the sport, he didn't have a definite answer other than he enjoys the game very much and the playing season runs from August through May.

Joining forces at the Baraboo Soccer Club in the Flames U-14, girls' classic traveling team, is Destina Warner. She is also a student at Jack Young Middle School, her team position is goalkeep-



Ryan Littlegeorge and Destina Warner participate in the Baraboo Soccer Club's classic traveling teams.



Julia White is a varsity golfer and winter cheerleader and her brother, Pierson, participates in weight lifting, wrestling, golf and football at Portage High School.

er. She said that she travels to places such as Spring Green, Beaver Dam, Mount Horeb and Platteville for games.

Destina is not only a soccer athlete, but also plays volleyball through her school's sports program. She participates in the Boys and Girls Club boxing program in the Junior Feather weight classification. She also participates

in gymnastics, balance beam and the dance team offered through her school.

The athletes all said they look forward to the rest of the sports season. They also said they really appreciate all the parental/guardian support and dedication like getting them to practices and games consistently and on time.

Sand for Head Start

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Truckloads of soft, compactable sand will make falling a little easier for children to handle at the Ahuco Head-Start building in Bluewing, Tomah.

The donated sand was delivered to the facility on Thursday, September 11.

A combined effort from three local businesses donated and spread mounds of sand.

The Ahuco Head Start is the learning base for 20 children during weekdays. The playground needed more sand

to make it safe for the youngsters in case of a fall.

"I came back after summer break and saw that the playground was screaming for help," said Kimberly Eades. "So, I wrote a letter and asked for some sand."

So, local companies sprang into action to donate their efforts for the Head Start facility. Smartsand agreed to donate the sand, Gerke Excavating hauled the sand in trucks to the site, and R. Moake Excavating dug out the old sand and replaced it with the new sand and leveled it.

About 225 cubic yards, or 17 truckloads, was hauled in for covering the entire surface area of the existing playground.

A base of 12 inches or better is required for all areas considered as a "fall zone," said lead teacher Tori Moake.

The Ahuco staff, along with Todd Lindblad of Smartsand, Tomah, were present for the delivery of the sand.

"This is greatly appreciated," Moake said. "We appreciate the donated time and materials for the Head Start."



Happy to see sand, Ahuco Head Start staff and a Smartsand representative stand on the prized possession on September 11. Present for the delivery are (from left) master chef Louisa Mainu, lead teacher and R. Moake Excavating representative Tori Moake, Smartsand representative Todd Lindblad, and teacher Kimberly Eades.



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Robertson bids farewell to friends, co-workers

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Ever since 2006, Gordon Robertson has made been working on the hills and valleys of the state, compiling information and plugging it into making GIS maps for the Ho-Chunk Nation.

But now that all has come to an end.

Robertson's last day was Friday, September 26. A special farewell luncheon was held in his honor on Thursday at the Andrew Blackhawk American Legion Post 129.

He and his wife, Ann, and their five children will soon be moving to Rochester, Minnesota. There, he has accepted a position as a GIS Specialist with the city.

Robertson was born, raised and educated on the east coast of Scotland near Glasgow. He attended classes and earned his bachelor's degree from the University of Dundee.

For his Master's degree, Robertson decided he wanted to study in the United States, so he came across the big pond to the University of North Dakota - Grand Forks.

Following his studies, he took up the offer to be a teaching assistant at the University of Wisconsin - Madison. For one of his courses, he taught GIS for Native American Realty Specialists.

"That's where I met members of the Ho-Chunk Nation," Robertson said. "A few months after the

classes, they let me know of a job opening as a GIS Coordinator with the Ho-Chunk Nation. I applied and got an interview. Ritchie Brown hired me."

The connection between Robertson's interests and his duties was a perfect match.

"My education is in geography, natural resources heavy," Robertson said. "And the Ho-Chunk Nation is very involved in natural resources. That's what I like to do."

Since the Nation has a widely distributed land base, it has an interest in land use across the state. Therefore a spacial database is important, whether or not the land actually belongs to the Nation, Robertson said.

"The Ho-Chunk Nation is involved in a lot of political aspects," he said. "It is beneficial for planners to make informed decisions."

Coming from Scotland to live in the United States has allowed him to learn about new cultures.

"In the eight years I've worked here, I'm so much wiser about America," he said. "It has helped me grow personally and professionally."

During his time with the Ho-Chunk Nation, Robertson developed a lot of close friendships with people he won't soon forget.

"It's been a fun place to work. I've enjoyed working with colleagues and friends," Robertson said. "I've learned a lot."



Gordon Robertson has worked for the Ho-Chunk Nation as a GIS coordinator for eight years, building many friendships along the way.

Greetings from BRFHS

Submitted by PS Rykken,
BRFHS History and Politics,
CRT Chair, CC Coach

I'm sending this info out to the three local papers because it may be a good news item for you. This fall we launched a new course at our high school called Ho-Chunk and Ethnic Studies. The course was approved by the BRF School Board last spring in a unanimous vote.

The class is part of our history department and also is a dual-credit offering. That means that students

enrolled at BRFHS may opt to receive college credits through UW-Green Bay and its First Nations Studies Program. We have 25 students enrolled for fall semester.

The first photo is of Barb Blackdeer-Mackenzie (back) and Charity Thunder (front). They spoke to the students concerning the Clan system and Kinship Patterns among the Ho-Chunk people and also addressed various historical topics.

The second one is of me and Charity Thunder.

The third photo is of Woodrow White, who spoke to the students on traditional Ho-Chunk agricultural practices.

I'm working in conjunction with many people within the Ho-Chunk Nation on the construction of this class and also professors at UW-Green Bay.

We are one of two schools in the state offering such a class. We are extremely thankful for the help that we have been receiving for this undertaking!



Barb Blackdeer-Mackenzie (back) and Charity Thunder (front).



(Left photo) PS Rykken and Charity Thunder

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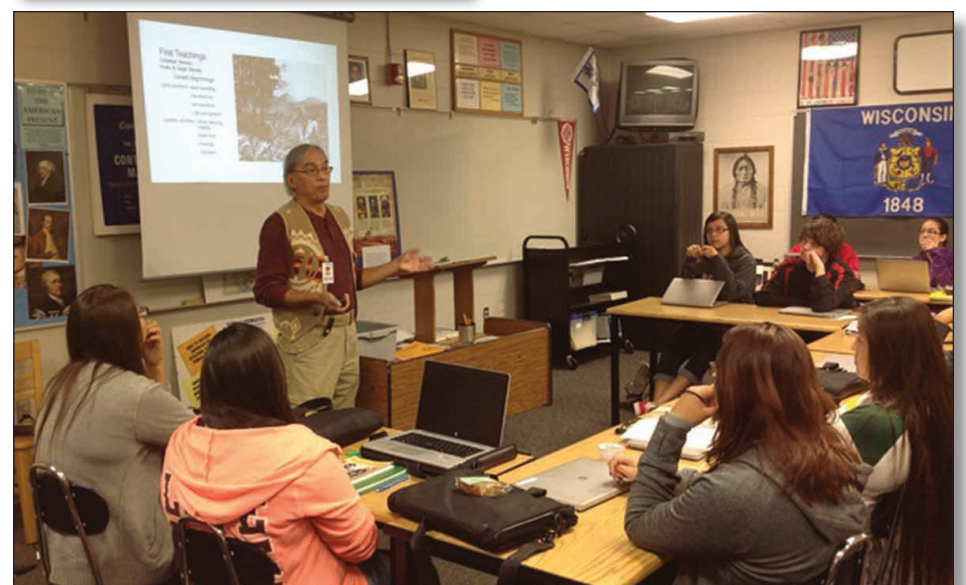
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Woodrow White teaching Indigenous Agriculture.

Blue Wing gardeners plan to host a Fall Harvest Feast & Green Corn Celebration

Kathleen Roberts
Staff Writer

Following several planning sessions, volunteers of the Blue Wing Organic Community Garden (BWOCG) have organized a Fall Harvest Feast & Green Corn Celebration. The event is scheduled for October 4 and will include educational booths, demonstrations and presentations.

First off, Healthy Cooking classes will be offered in the Blue Wing Community Building at 10 a.m. The educational booths, demonstrations and hands-on activities will be available from noon to 4 p.m.

The exhibits will include: Healthy Ingredient Alternatives, What and Why Organic?, Fast Food versus Garden Fresh, Land Management, Smoothie and Juice Making, Drying Corn, How to Cut and Dry Squash, Grilling Techniques and Canning.

The Fall Harvest Feast will follow the presentations and demonstrations. A pot luck meal is planned to take place in the community building. Participants are asked, but not required to bring a dish to share and include the recipe of that dish to share with others. A Power Point presentation about the Blue Wing Organic



Blue Wing Organic Community Garden volunteers plan the Fall Harvest Feast & Green Corn Celebration set for Saturday, October 4.



Community Garden Project will run during the feast.

Green Corn dancing and celebration time will start at 5 p.m. and will take place at the garden site. The celebration will include Gordon Thunder and Woodrow White presenting the Green Corn Story and other celebration activities will include plenty of drums and dancing.

Participants are encouraged to bring lawn chairs, blankets and dancing shoes/moccasins. “It is a family event and we encourage all Hocak families to attend and we guarantee that they will walk away with having learned something new,” said Stacy.

For more information or questions about the Fall Harvest Feast & Green Corn Ceremon contact Melanie Stacy at 608-374-1245 or 608-343-2010.



Gardeners work during the early stages of the Blue Wing Organic Community Garden growing season.

Blue Wing Organic Community Garden Project volunteers welcome you all...



Fall Harvest Feast & Green Corn Celebration
Saturday, October 4, 2014
Blue Wing Community Building & Garden location, Tomah, WI

10:00 AM – noon: Healthy Cooking Classes (BW Comm. Building)

*****Lunch - Healthy food and beverages will be available throughout the day*****

Noon – 4:00PM: Information Booths & Demonstration/Hands on Booths (BW Comm. Building)

- Health Department (healthy ingredient alternatives, Good sugar/Bad sugar, etc.)
- Woody White (What is organic & Why organic, composting, Green Corn info.)
- UW Extension – Josh (Fast Food v. Garden Fresh, choices.)
- UW Extension – Bill (Land management – what now after the growing season)
- Smoothie & Juicing Bar – Raven & Megan Rosin (hands on recipe demos)
- Drying Corn – Randal Mann & Lizette Goucher (learn the process and give it a try)
- Canning – TBA (always wanted to learn this? Here is your opportunity!)
- Cutting & Drying squash – Kathy Blackdeer (remember the coiled squash?)
- Grilling with Chris Estebo & Winona Mann (outside of BW Comm. Bldg.)

4:00PM – Fall Harvest Feast meal (pot luck at BW Comm. Building). Bring a dish to share (bring your recipe if you would like added to cook book). Power Point showing during the meal - of the Blue Wing Organic Garden Project.

5:00PM – Green Corn Dancing & Singing Celebration (Blue Wing Garden Site). Woody White and Gordon Thunder will give a presentation on the Green Corn story. Bring your lawn chairs, blankets, wear your dancing shoes/moccasins, Ladies-your skirts, and lets all have fun with heel-to-toe Green Corn dancing and singing. It’s been too long!!!

“The Blue Wing Organic garden volunteers value the Hocak way of life and wishes to share the benefits that grows from the earth and how we can preserve all the goodness of healthy garden grown vegetables for the winter. A dedication and recognition will take place at the garden.”

Congress passes the Tribal General Welfare Exclusion Act of 2013

Submitted by
Sheila D. Corbine, Ho-Chunk Nation,
Department of Justice

The Tribal General Welfare Act Exclusion Act is the result of years of work by tribal nations, including the Ho-Chunk Nation, tribal leaders, the Internal Revenue Service and interested congressional leaders. In the years leading up to this Bill being introduced in Congress, tribes called for change after continuous attempts by the IRS to tax tribal members for benefits received by tribal governments. After years of consultation with the IRS, a series of IRS guidance memos were issued which finally culminated in IRS Revenue Procedure 14-035.

Though the development of the IRS Revenue Procedure was a major step in the right direction, tribes were concerned that the IRS could always amend the Procedure or even interpret it to the detriment of the tribes and therefore tribes pushed the idea of getting the procedures that were laid out by the IRS should be codified.

The Tribal General Welfare Exclusion Act, H.R. 3043, was introduced by Rep. Devin Nunes of California and had 61 co-sponsors, including Rep. Ron Kind of Wisconsin. It passed the House of Representatives on September 16, 2014 by voice vote. On September 18m 2014, the Senate passed H.R. 3043 by

unanimous consent. This was a rare show of bi-partisan support from both houses of Congress. It is fully expected that this bill will be signed into law.

In order for a tribal governmental welfare benefit to be excluded under H.R. 3043 the benefit must be available to any tribal member under established written guidelines; must be for the promotion of the general welfare, must not be lavish or extravagant and also must not be compensation for services. The bill that was passed requires the establishment of a Tribal Advisory Committee to provide education and training to IRS officials and staff and to help enforce internal revenue laws

throughout Indian country.

The Ho-Chunk Nation Treasury Department has already, with the publication of IRS Revenue Procedure 14-035, begun looking at various tribal government payments made to tribal members and making determinations as to whether they would qualify as a general welfare payment. One such payment is the payment made to members over the age of 18 that attend General Council meetings. A program was developed in writing indicating that the payment made to tribal members that attend a General Council meeting are intended to help alleviate the costs, such as lodging, food and mileage to members of attending the meeting which

is considered a cultural gathering.

The Treasury Department is also exploring some of the payments made during powwows and are in the process of making determinations as to their coverage under this newly passed Act. The Nation already has many general welfare programs that qualify and have not been subject to taxation of the IRS, but there is analysis being done to determine if there are other payments being made that the Nation makes that would qualify under this Exception. The passage of this Act is a good thing for the Nation and for Indian Country in general.

Facebook page ‘Informed Ho-Chunk Nation Members’ for posting thoughts and concerns

Kathleen Roberts
Staff Writer

The Facebook page is like a native grapevine for sharing information and concerns. Many Ho-Chunk Nation entities create pages to get the word out about programs, events and other notices.

Tribal member Hazel Guerrero asked her legislator about an issue but did not get a tried and true answer. She wondered how many other tribal members were not getting answers to their questions. She had concerns and knew that others must have concerns that should be addressed as well.

Three months ago, she acted on the frustration of not getting answers to her questions. After discussing these problems with another concerned

tribal member, she expanded on an idea of using social media.

Hoping to catch the attention of the Nation’s legislators, Guerrero decided to set up a Facebook page to create awareness about tough situations and to hopefully get answers to these issues.

The page is titled Informed Ho-Chunk Nation Members. Tribal members interested in voicing their opinions and networking with others must make a friend request to join the secret page.

“The secret group is for any Ho-Chunk tribal members and what I refer to as honorary members that are raising our Ho-Chunk children. Just as the group name implies, we are informed of any and all important matters not nor-

mally discussed outside this page. All comments, opinions and posts are welcome, everyone must be respectful and informing,” she said. “Our numbers in the Facebook group have gone up from 50 members to 239 members.”

The Facebook page has several administrators, Phil Blackhawk, Dawn Smith, Anna Long, Ellen Smith, Angie Jacobs, Anthony Smith, Jr., Karen Hammer, Ginger Ho-Chunk Honey Smith, Kimberly Crowley and Guerrero.

Employed by Youth Services for many years, Guerrero’s job position gives her insight on families that are struggling financially. “Some families can’t afford their own places to live, so they live with relatives. They rely on

food pantries, they are homeless in the inner city and are poverty stricken,” said Guerrero. “These problems will still be going on until someone speaks up and someone listens.”

She recently learned that employee wages haven’t increased since 1996. She said they are not required to give a living wage. She mentioned that even though she is a full-time employee of the Nation and receives per cap money, she is still considered on the poverty level.

“The most important concerns I have are the poverty stricken tribal members and that so many questions are not answered. That’s what propelled me to create the Facebook page,” said Guerrero.



Hazel Guerrero encourages tribal members to communicate their concerns through her Facebook page, Informed Ho-Chunk Nation Members.

Help restore the Sauk Prairie


Volunteer Restoration Workday Former Badger Army Ammunition Plant

Saturday, October 11th, 9 am - noon

Ten years ago, with a donation from the Natural Resources Foundation of Wisconsin, the Sauk Prairie Conservation Alliance hosted the inaugural seed planting at the new Fordham Prairie memorial in the former Badger Army Ammunition Plant. The memorial was named for Dave Fordham, Badger’s civilian installation director for 25 years, and who initiated the first prairie plantings on the property in the 1980s. The quarter-acre parcel, though small, is contiguous with a larger strip of earlier prairie seed nursery plantings completed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. One day, this parcel is expected to be owned and managed by the Ho-Chunk Nation. Please join

us as we celebrate collaborative conservation among the future landowners at Badger, and enjoy the fall weather. The focus of the morning’s activities will be removal of invasive shrub species in the prairie planting and its nearby nursery plantings.

Volunteers should meet in the parking lot just north of the main entrance to the former Badger Plant, on U.S. highway 12 north of Sauk City. Questions? Please contact our volunteer coordinator, Kaity Taylor, at kaitlyn@saukprairievision.org or Randy Poelma in the Ho-Chunk Nation Division of Environmental Health at Randy.Poelma@ho-chunk.com or (715) 284-9851 x5061



New Treasury programs aim to make personal finances easier

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Two new programs, Payroll Debit Card and Per Capita Budgetary Assistance, were recently introduced by the Ho-Chunk Nation Treasury Department.

They are designed to help Ho-Chunk members and all employees better handle their finances. Both programs are being offered on a voluntarily basis.

“The payroll debit card program is being offered through BMO Harris Bank and will allow employees or tribal members to make a purchase or withdraw money through an ATM,” said Accounting Manager Chris Dreves. Purchases can be made at any store or online where MasterCard® is accepted.

Employees and tribal members can receive a debit card and have their paycheck or per capita payment deposited into the account. It especially helps people who do not have access to a bank account, Dreves said.

“It’s something that we’ve been working on a while for employees and tribal members,” Dreves said. “Paystubs are still being issued.”

Owning a BMO Harris payroll debit card doesn’t mean the employee or tribal member will be setting up an account with BMO Harris Bank, he said. It simply means the funds for the debit card has been placed in the bank’s system.

However, an employee or tribal member who uses an ATM should be aware of possible charges for the service. If a BMO Harris ATM is used, no service fee is applied, but if the ATM is not owned by BMO Harris Bank, the owner of that ATM may charge a fee, Dreves said. Applicants can refer to the Cardholder Fees page attached to the direct deposit form.

“One benefit of using a debit card is that the funds are loaded onto the card’s account, on the effective date, so that it can be used the same day,” Dreves said. “That

would really help people who are on vacation or otherwise would have to wait several days to receive a check in the mail.”

The Budgetary Assistance Program will be effective on November 1 for all eligible tribal members receiving per capita payments.

Members can begin to enroll now for the voluntary program.

The program will break the per capita payments into monthly disbursements, instead of one single payment every three months.

“Tribal members have been asking for it for a number of years and it has been discussed in General Council,” said Ho-Chunk Treasurer Sandy Gleason. “It is strictly a voluntary program designed to help tribal members better budget their income.”

People who receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI) or Medicaid can’t participate in the program, as it may impact their benefits.

“This program helps to be



able to plan around monthly expenses,” Gleason said. “It helps them better budget or plan. All usual expenses are on monthly basis, such as rent or house payments, electricity, phone bills, and credit card payments. By receiving their income on a monthly basis, tribal members can better plan to pay for those expenses. It will help avoid shortages in later months.”

If needed, tribal members can request a portion or all of the balance remaining in their

per capita account.

The forms for enrollment into both programs are available online on the Ho-Chunk Nation Web site: www.ho-chunknation.com. Completed forms can be physically brought to the Treasury Department, mailed, emailed or faxed.

Lastly, the web site also contains the program’s policies as well as frequently asked questions.



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Further information may be received from First Nations Community Financial office, located at
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Black River Falls, WI 54615



4th Annual Pulse Pounding Poker Tournament raises \$4,515 for charity

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa-PR

Fifty-five players came out to play in the 4th Annual Pulse Pounding Poker Tournament at Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa on Saturday, September 13th, 2014 in Nekoosa, Wisconsin. Among the players were four celebrities which included: Chad Holloway (Poker News), Derrick Mayes (former Pro-Athlete), Nate Barrett (News Anchor) and Panama Jack (Local Radio Personality).

The weekend consisted of a two-day Texas-Hold Em Poker Tournament, a silent auction and a meet & greet with Derrick Mayes. The Tournament was created in honor of Kevin Abbott, a table games dealer who passed away due to heart failure. A portion of the proceeds raised from the Tournament went to The Foundation of St. Joseph's Hospital. All of the proceeds raised in the silent auction went directly to St. Joseph's Hospital.

The winner of the tournament was Edward Rohloff, who took home \$6800. The tournament raised \$3760 and the silent auction raised \$755 for a grand total of \$4515. A check presentation was conducted on Sunday, September 14, 2014. To date, the "Pulse Pounding Poker Tournament" and Ho-Chunk Gaming Nekoosa have raised more than \$8,855. Monies raised through

the charity event are donated to the Foundation of Saint Joseph's Hospital to fund Heart Services/Cardiac Support, Cancer and Diabetes Services.

Funds have been used for a variety of different programs; one being, to assist in the purchase of "Ready Link Mobile ECG" devices. This device enables pre-hospital emergency medical services to acquire and transmit medical information on a patient experiencing chest pain from the field to Ministry Saint Joseph's Hospital Emergency Department. The Emergency Department physicians then determine if the RESCUE-1 team should be activated prior to the patient arriving. This provides significantly lower response times and better outcomes for patients suffering from acute myocardial infarction (heart attack).

Iilee Pederson, Annual Giving Coordinator at the Foundation of St. Joseph's Hospital stated, "The annual Pulse Pounding Poker Tournament is a vital fundraiser for the Heart, Cancer and Diabetes funds at Ministry Saint Joseph's Hospital. The support from Ho-Chunk Gaming and tournament participants allows us to continue to offer premier care and invest in innovative medical equipment for patients in need within our communities."



Algebra study versus a hands-on geometry lesson

Submitted by Leslie Thompson

Just after 5:00 p.m. on Friday September 12, I got a call from Larry Littlegeorge. He wanted to know if I would like to play in the 8-Ball tournament at Bobby V's in Sparta. I said I would like to, but I am low on funds. "Don't worry, I'll be over in five minutes," said Larry. Before he called, I was on my way to a four hour algebra study.

I jumped in the shower to get ready to go.

As soon as Larry arrived he handed me a twenty dollar bill to pay the tournament entry fee. Larry called Bobby V's to let them know we were on our way. He told Terry the tournament director, he'd take twenty tickets for the Break and Run contest that runs during the pool tournament. Then Larry asked me how many tickets I would like. I bought three tickets at a dollar each. With the entry fee of seven dollars plus the three dollars already spent, I was down to ten dollars.

I kept in mind I needed to

have quarters to pay for the pool table, too.

As we drove to Sparta we saw two rainbows. I took six or seven photographs. I told Larry that it looks like the rainbows end at Bobby V's pool tournament.

By the time we arrived at the tournament the Break and Run contest was up to \$331 a ball.

I was feeling very apprehensive about shooting pool, I had not shot since March and I didn't get a chance to warm up at the pool table. The tournament began, I started out okay. Then I started to miss the pockets slightly. I lost the first round and was moved to the loss column.

As I was shooting, Larry said, "You have been picked to shoot in the Break and Run." I didn't think anything of it. I thought everyone who bought a ticket had a chance to try. "No, she only chooses one person to shoot at \$331 per ball," Larry said. "If you miss a shot, you get nothing."

The tournament director said, "You're up Larry."

I'm felt apprehensive and I didn't trust myself because of the way I'd been shooting. I went up to the pool table and it seemed that everything in the room just stopped. Other people stopped shooting and all eyes were on me.

"Break with my cue and stay down on the shot," said Larry. I wasn't used to the weight of his cue, but I lined up the angle of the cue ball for the shot. I took a deep breath, stepped back and fired into the triangle of balls.

I noticed how weak my break felt. The pool balls barely broke from the rack and nothing dropped. They spread out over the table, but wait a minute, I noticed the two ball seemed to be heading to the left corner pocket. It continued to slowly roll almost like something or someone was pushing it. Then as it went on its magical journey the ball dropped into the corner pocket. Everyone cheered in amazement.

Then I had to locate the one ball. There it was, half way on the pool table, and the cue



Larry and Leslie with the winnings from the Break and Run pool tournament.

ball was way back where I started with the break. I had to decide whether to make the 90 degree cut on one ball into the side pocket or take the long shot into the far left corner where the two ball fell. I couldn't chance anything fancy, so I took the long straight shot to the corner pocket. I gathered myself and took a breath, made a couple of strokes with the cue stick then took the shot. It was a nice cue ball hit, no tricks, no English just a long, straight shot. The one ball took off toward the corner pocket and dropped in. Again, the room exploded with a thunderous roar of cheers.

I looked at the three ball and thought, if I miss hitting it into the far corner pocket the other shots would all be in vain. I wouldn't get anything if I miss the shot. "Is that it Leslie? Right now you're getting \$662," Terry said. "Okay, that is good enough," I replied.

People congratulated me as Terry gave me the \$662. I divided the money in half with Larry. He suggested we buy

everyone a round of drinks and we did. We had a great time.

Several other pool players commented on my being there, I hadn't been to Bobby V's for a long time. One of the pool players said he hadn't seen anyone win the cash from the "Break and Run." Another player told Larry it was nice to see a Ho-Chunk player come in and win cash and spread it around. The player said, "Most players win and just leave right away with the money and that's it."

Pictures were taken after the "Break and Run" win. Everyone in the pool tournament and the customers who were not playing in the tournament got a round. Spreading the wealth, Larry and I tipped the bartenders nicely. We had a great time spreading good cheer and positive energy that night.

Later, I ran into Sid, a Ho-Chunk elder and told him the story. I asked him what he thought about it. "The story sounded phenomenal," he said.

SUMMONS
(First Publication)
IN THE HO-CHUNK NATION TRIAL COURT

In the Interest of Minor : I.L.S, DOB 5/22/2012
Case : JV 14-23

TO THE PARENT, GUARDIAN, LEGAL OR PHYSICAL CUSTODIAN AND/OR TRADITIONAL
RELATIVE(S): Kevin Smith

You are hereby informed that you have been deemed an interested party in the above-entitled guardianship case. This legal notice of the filed *Petition for* is now served upon you by publication. A proceeding concerning the above-named is pending in the Court, and an adjudication will be made. The Court shall convene an *Guardianship Hearing* in accordance with HocAk Nation Third Party Guardianship Act, Para. 11.13a. Any parent(s), guardian(s) and/or person(s) having legal or physical custody of the must appear along with the at the *Hearing* described below.

The Court shall commence a proceeding at **10:00 am** on the **30** day of **September 2014** for the following purpose: **Guardianship Hearing**. Parties may seek to appear by telephone by submitting a written request and accompanying *Certificate of Service* to the presiding judge. See *Ho-Chunk Nation Rules of Civil Procedure*, Rule 5(B). Pursuant to HocAk Nation Third Party Guardianship Act, Para. 11.13c, the parties have a right to counsel at their own expense; a right to confront and cross-examine those appearing against them; a right to present and subpoena witnesses; a right to substitution of judge; and a right to a jury trial.

NOTICE – VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER IS SUBJECT TO PROCEEDINGS FOR CONTEMPT OF COURT. SUBPOENAS: ‘THE FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA SHALL SUBJECT THE PERSON FAILING TO COMPLY TO THE CONTEMPT POWER OF THE COURT.’ THE COURT MAY FIND ANY PARTY TO THIS MATTER IN CONTEMPT OF COURT FOR FAILURE TO APPEAR AT A COURT HEARING OR FOR FAILURE TO FOLLOW COURT ORDERS.

The Trial Court is physically located at Wa Ehi Hocira, W9598 Highway 54 East, Black River Falls, (Jackson County) Wisconsin. The Trial Court’s mailing address is P. O. Box 70, Black River Falls, WI 54615. The telephone number is (715) 284-2722, or toll free 800-434-4070, and the facsimile number is (715) 284-3136.

The following individual applicants have met the requirements of the HO-CHUNK NATION CODE (HCC) TITLE 2 – GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 7 – TRIBAL ENROLLMENT AND MEMBERSHIP CODE, Enacted by Legislature: October 16, 2007 in accordance with the Constitution of the Ho-Chunk Nation and the Tribal Enrollment and Membership Code. The Enrollment Officer will certify a Notice of Eligibility for Membership and will publish such Notice in the Nation’s newsletter and on the Nation’s website. Upon publication a sixty (60) Day notice period begins. The Notice of Eligibility for Membership must include the Applicant’s name, date of birth, Base Roll ancestry, Ho-Chunk Blood and parent. There will be an exemption for adoptions. Pursuant to Wisconsin and other States’ Laws certain information will be neither published nor released. **This determination may be appealed to the Committee on Tribal Enrollment (contact the Office of Tribal Enrollment) by any adult (18 years and older) enrolled Ho-Chunk Nation Member within sixty (60) Days after the date on which the Office of Tribal Enrollment publishes Notice of Eligibility for Membership.**

APPLICANT NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	BLOOD QUANTUM	ANCESTOR	FATHER	MOTHER
BEDEAU,Kenton Robert	01/31/2014	½	Ha Ga Kah Lewis Decorra 1901 - # 00406	Non-Member	Carole Mae Decorah
Betancurt, Alicia Marie	12/15/2009	17/64	Wa Ro Hootch Na Zhin Kah Wallace A. Day 1901 - #00091	Non-Indian	Kirsten Rose Day
BEVERLY, Gabriel Tyrel	10/30/2013	17/32	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr., 1881 - # 00328	Stuart Gabriel Beverly	Patricia Ann Nicholas
BLACKDEER, Brycelynn Blu	09/04/2013	¼	Chau Zap Kah, Black Deer 1881 - # 00174	Cody Bryce Blackdeer	Non-Indian
BLACKDEER, Maxine Joyce	09/04/2013	¼	Chau Zap Kah Black Deer 1881- # 00174	Cody Bryce Blackdeer	Non-Indian
BLACKDEER, Katelynn Annabella	09/04/2013	¼	Chau Zap Kah, Black Deer 1881 - # 00174	Cody Bryce Blackdeer	Non-Indian
BRANDON, Jocelynn Miles	05/16/2010	½	Na Xi Xu Nu Gin Kah John Paul White Eagle 1901 - #00017	Franklin Miles Brandon	Amy Jean Heimlich
CLAIRMONT, Dayven Jase	02/04/2008	¼	Coo Noo Zee Kah Henry Greencrow 1901 - #01105	Lakota Hoksila Clairmont	Non-Member
CLEVELAND, Myla Rose	07/19/2011	51/128	Cha Wak Ja Xi Ga Will Greendeer 1901 - # 00080	Lambert Cleveland, Jr.	Non-Indian
CLOUD, Paula Iva	09/30/2011	59/128	Son Nik O He Way Kah George Cloud 1901 - # 00149	Ivan Peter Cloud	Non-Member
CUNNEEN, Brooklynne Skye	06/06/2008	¼	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr., 1881 - # 00328	Justin Ryan Cunneen	Non – Indian
DOWNEY, Dasan Anthony James	11/18/2007	¼	Ma he No Gin Kah Fred Kingswan 1901 - #- 00975	Forrest Michael Downey, Sr.	Non-Indian
DOWNEY, Quintin Lee	07/12/2011	¼	Ma he No Gin Kah Fred Kingswan 1901 - # 00975	Forrest Michael Downey, Sr.	Non-Indian
DOWNEY, Owen Randall	08/16/2012	¼	Ma he No Gin Kah Fred Kingswan 1901 - # 00975	Forrest Michael Downey, Sr.	Non-Indian
DOWNEY, Dallas Dakota	12/06/2005	¼	Ma he No Gin Kah Fred Kingswan 1901 - # 00975	Forrest Michael Downey, Sr.	Non-Indian
FALCON, Joleigh Ann	05/23/2013	¼	He Wee Chaw Zhau Kay Kah, Cho Nee Mon E Kah Thomas Falcon 1881 - # 00410	Samson Valene Falcon	Non-Member
FUNMAKER, Olivia Jean	09/04/2013	¼	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr., 1881 - # 00328	Adam Martin Funmaker	Non-Indian
GREENDEER, Jordison John	08/06/2012	¼	Chau Zap Kah, Black Deer 1881 - # 00174	Marcus Anthony Greendeer	Non-Indian
GREYHAIR, Kaden Marcus	02/25/2003	37/128	Wa Kon Chaw Saip Kaw Isaac Greyhair N1901 - #00601	Non-Member	Non-Member
GREYOWL, Cole Younger, Jr.	03/27/2013	¼	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr., 1881 - # 00328	Cole Younger GreyOwl, Sr.	Non-Indian
JAEGER, Blake Walter	09/19/2011	¼	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr., 1881 - # 00328	Non-Indian	Brook Aspen Funmaker
JAEGER, Brody James	07/02/2010	¼	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr., 1881 - # 00328	Non-Indian	Brook Aspen Funmaker
LONETREE, Evelyn Eliza	03/04/2013	111/256	Hoonch Ha Ta Kah George Lonetree 1901 - #00808	Geoffrey Gerrard Lonetree	Jillian Kay Ennis
MACKINNIS, Darius Jones	12/20/2005	3/8	Hoonk Mon Nee Kah Ed W. Decorra 1901 - #00254	Paul Michael Mac Kinnis	Francina Ida Williams
MADIGAN, Gregory Jay, Jr.	02/01/1998	¼	Monk Shootch Kah Peter Pettibone 1881 - # 00582	Gregory Jay Madigan, Sr.	Non-Member
MINER, Mason McCoy	11/04/2011	87/256	Ne He Kaw Nathan Bird, Sr. 1901 - # 00969	Shane Cameron Nicholas	Frances Anna Sanchez
MONTELONGO, Isabella Ann	01/03/2012	13/32	Wa Ro Hootch Na Zhin Kah Wallace A. Day 1901 - #00091	Mato’ogla Montelongo	Nicole Christine Cotto
PORTER, John Ross	02/23/1996	15/32	Mo Ke Ah Kah John Smith 1881 - #00094	Non-Indian	MEMBER
Sheridan, Remi Phyllis	07/04/2013	3/8	Reuben Harold Snake, Sr. N1910 - #00896	Non-Member	Yvonne Lee Snake
SIMMONS, Anaiah Marie	09/30/2013	¼	Wax Cho Me Nuk Kah Mike Stacy 1881 - #00054	Non-Indian	Martha Rose Stacy
SMITH, Eva Haze	01/01/2009	¼	Ma Na Pay Na Shin Kah Paul Spear Smith 1901 - #00581	Charles George Smith	Non-Indian
SMITH, Micah Judge	08/06/2013	87/256	Hunk Nik Cha Kah Floyd Thomas Cloud-White Eagle 1901 - #01085	Non-member	Athena Sage Whiteeagle
SYRING, Trevor Thomas	07/01/2013	¼	Ka Ra Chu Sep Ska Kah Jesse George Littlegeorge 1901- #00446	Thomas Kenneth Syring	Non-Member
THOMPSON, Lilly Ann	12/05/2013	¼	No Ro Ho Kah John Thompson, Sr. 1901 - #00631	John Jesse Thompson	Non-Indian
THOMPSON, Serenity Jean	02/23/2014	¼	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr., 1881 - # 00328	Ricky Cass Thompson	Non-Indian
TOBIAS, Aaliyah Jasmine	08/20/2012	3/8	Wojh Tchaw He Ray Kah George Funmaker, Sr., 1881 - # 00328	Spencer Thomas Bourdon, Sr.	Non-Indian
WALKER, Maraeya Richelle	08/09/2013	51/64	Jump A Kay Ru Cho Win Kah Lillian Ruth (Ward) Hill W1910 - #00597	Non-Member	Non-Member
WAMEGO, Briana Jayne	05/08/1996	9/32	Wau Kau Chaw Kee Wijh Hah Will Winneshiek 1881 - # 00434	Arlen Benjamin Wamego	Non-Indian
WHITE EAGLE, Lakota Hohoka Bellestar	07/18/1998	63/128	Hunk Nik Cha Kah Floyd Thomas Cloud-White Eagle 1901 - #01085	Daniel Victor White Eagle	Non-Indian
YELLOWTHUNDER, Jordan Scott	11/10/2013	¼	Ma Xe Ne No Gin Kah Joe Yellowthunder 1901 - #01112	Jeffrey Scott Yellowthunder	Non-Indian



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DISTRICT 5

CHICAGO AREA MEETING



WHEN: OCTOBER 13, 2014

TIME: 5:30P.M.-9:00P.M.

4738 N. MILWAUKEE AVE.

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HO-CHUNK NATION

DIVISION OF

VETERANS AFFAIRS

MEETING NOTICE

In accordance with the Ho-Chunk Nation Open Meeting act, this posting shall serve as notice that the Division of Veterans Affairs has scheduled a meeting of the Veterans Affairs Advisory Board.

This meeting will be held on, Friday,

December 12, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. in the

Veterans Affairs Conference Room,

Tribal Office Building,

W9184 Airport Road,

Black River Falls, WI 54615.

The Division of Veterans Affairs encourages all veterans and interested individuals to attend.

Should you have any questions comments or concerns please contact the Division of Veterans Affairs at (715)284-4563.

General Council Agency Vacancies

The General Council Agency
the following board vacancies:

La Crosse- Alternate Agent

Milwaukee- Alternate Agent

In accordance with General Council Agency By-Laws ARTICLE III – Section 5(A) Agent Vacancies shall be posted in the tribal newsletter once, Section 5(B) when a vacancy on the Agency exists, nominations for new members may be made at their respective area legislative monthly meeting.

Office of the General Council

27374 State Highway 21 Tomah, WI 54660

Phone: (715) 284-7891 Fax (608) 372 6092

Notice of Vacancy and Deadline

For Districts to Nominate

Seven (7) Election Board Delegates

& Seven (7) Election Board Alternates

For the following Districts

Districts	Number of Election Board Members	Alternate
District 1: Black River Falls	1	1
District 3: Wittenberg	1	1
Wisconsin Dells	1	1
Wisconsin Rapids	1	1
Green Bay	1	1
District 5: Chicago	1	1
Minneapolis/St. Paul	1	1
	7	7

TERMS: All Election board members shall serve terms of two (2) years. Election Board members may serve more than one term.

NOMINATIONS: Nominations for one (1) Election Board Member and one (1) Election Board Alternate to represent each District must be voted upon during your District’s September monthly meeting.

The District’s meeting minute must include each District’s nomination for Election Board member and Election Board Alternate. The minutes must be presented or faxed will be acceptable to the Election Board Office no later than

4:00 PM – FRIDAY, November 21, 2014

HO-CHUNK NATION ELECTION BOARD OFFICE

206 S. Roosevelt Road

P.O. Box 756

Black River Falls, WI. 54615

715/284-8900 • 800/890-0583 • 715/284-8600 Fax

Title Corrections Officer - FEMALE ONLY

Open Date 9/8/2014

Deadline 10/10/2014

Department Sheriff

Facility v Courthouse (Wisconsin Rapids)

Job Type Full-time

Schedule Varies

Shift Varies

Hours Varies

Pay Rate \$17.50/hr to \$22.51/hr

Job Details DUE TO STAFFING REQUIREMENTS,

ONLY FEMALE CANDIDATES WILL BE GIVEN PREF-

ERENCE.

The Wood County Sheriff’s Department is establishing an eligibility list for Corrections Officers. The purpose of this position is responsible for the care and custody of jail inmates, provides necessary health and welfare needs as required, attends to the health, medical, and emotional needs of the inmates and maintains security and order in the jail. Assist with and complete transports as assigned.

Essential educational requirements include: A minimum of 60 college credits (Criminal Justice / Corrections degree preferred) or be presently Certified or Certifiable as a Corrections Officer in the State of Wisconsin. You must have or be able to successfully complete the Wisconsin Basic Jail Certification Academy. Qualifications: 18 years of age or older, United States citizen, be of good reputation, no felony convictions, good health, pass pre-appointment investigation as well as pre-employment physical examination, Psychological examination and drug screening. Basic, everyday living skills are needed, as is the ability to understand and follow oral and written directions. Reading, writing, adding, and subtracting is needed. The ability to speak clearly and precisely. A general understanding of computers is required. Must be able to assume responsibility and function calmly in emergency situations. Ability to interact with others is required. Possession of a valid Wisconsin Driver’s license is necessary, and able to operate a motor vehicle.

Position Description Corrections Officer - FEMALE
ONLY Position Description

All job descriptions and conditions of employment are subject to change with or without notice

Early Dental Hygienist Hours at Ho-Chunk Health Care Center

Dental Hygienist Sally Zager opened her schedule to begin seeing patient at 7:30 a.m. Dental hygiene appointments include adult and child dental prophylaxis (such as preventive oral hygiene education, teeth cleaning, topical fluoride treatment, and preliminary assessment of the oral cavity and surrounding structure and sealant work). Call Patient Registration 715-284-9851 to make an appointment with the dental hygienist.

Pediatric Services at Ho-Chunk Health Care Center

Our pediatrician is expanding service to the Ho-Chunk Health Care Center (HHCC). Dr. Karen Ailsworth marked 20 years as a pediatrician in July; seeing children and adolescents at the House of Wellness clinic for almost two years. Dr. Ailsworth will see patients up to 21 years of age. Her services will begin at HHCC on Wednesday October 8 and Wednesday November 12 and every 1st Wednesday of the month thereafter. Call Patient Registration 715-284-9851 to make appointments for your children.

Conj Manj Jerry Cleveland, Jr. "HAYNA" 3rd Memorial October 10, 2014



Indian Heights Community Center
Lunch at Noon

Devotions with Memorial Meal to Follow

Prayer Leader: Lance Long

Sponsored by: Gerald Cleveland, Sr. Family

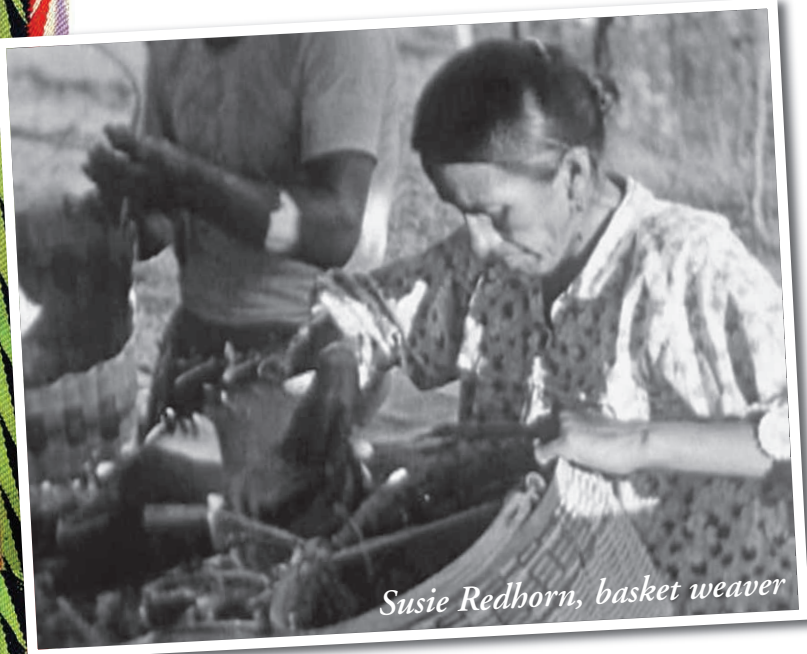
Ho-Chunk of the Dells

Movies of summer encampment residents of the Dells Park Trading Post in the 1930's and 1950's by Miriam Bennett

Tuesday, Oct. 7

7:00 p.m. • Doors open at 6:30
Afterglow 7:45 p.m.

Adams Community Theatre
157 South Main St., Adams • 608-339-6212



Susie Redhorn, basket weaver

Ho-Chunk Elders will narrate this silent movie.
Refreshments follow.

Stars of the show include:

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| • Ella and Albert Yellow Thunder | • Louis Decorah |
| • Ann Lonetree | • Ed Cloud |
| • Lois Crandall Musson | • Pipe and Ruth Dyer |
| • Susie Redhorn | • Fred Mallory |
| • George Miner | • Ruth Greengrass Cloud |
| • Sam Carley | • Ollie and Jean Reese |
| • Hilda and Lucy Miner | • Maude Browneagle |
| • Jim Smoke | • Helen Russell |

Featured activities:

- Roasting corn • Moccasin game • Basket weaving
• Loom beading • Building a long house with tamarack poles
• Making fry bread • Dancing • Finger weaving

Sponsored by:

Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin
Little Eagle Arts Foundation
Friends of H. H. Bennett Studio
Adams Community Theatre
Adams County Historical Society



Benjamin Lee Stephan Ha he serec maniga

December 12/14/65 – 08/22/14

The family of Benjamin Stephan would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to the many friends and relatives for their many expressions of comfort by memories, cards, flowers and donation.

Special thank you to Daniel Youngthunder Sr. and his helpers that cared for Benjamin and sent him on his journey. Also thank you to the pallbearers and gravediggers. The Ho-Chunk Nation and the Tebughna Foundation. To Margret Muggs Garvin for making and donating his shirt and Lila Blackdeer for making his moccasins, to the cooks Crystal Pettibone, Tari Lynn Pettibone, Gina Whiteeagle and Phyllis Smoke. We are sorry and please forgive us if we missed anyone.

It is comforting to know that many thought so well of him and the laughter he brought into your lives. He was a good man, had a good heart and always thought the best of everyone. He loved children and would always carry candy and gum for them.

Pini gigi,
Seraphim Sr., Michaelene, Robert Sr.,
Bradford Stephan and Selina Joshua

The Mitchell Museum features ciporoke construction

Kathleen Roberts
Staff Writer

A hands-on learning event took place at the Mitchell Museum of the American Indian in Evanston, Illinois on September 9 and 10. Ho-Chunk artist John Dall and Bill Quackenbush, Ira Anderson, Jay and James Blackdeer from the Ho-Chunk Heritage Preservation Division, led the ciporoke construction project.

The design of the ciporoke has not changed in over 1000 years. Ironwood poles are buried 12 inches into the ground and bent over to join the poles on the opposite side. Years ago, the poles were fastened with basswood cords, now twine is used to tie the poles. The frame was covered with woven cattail mats in the summertime, however in the winter elm bark was used for the structure's covering. Now the ciporoke is made with canvas or plastic tarp.

When asked how long the ciporoke will stand at the museum, it was determined that historically the structure would stand as long as the materials would allow. The museum intends to keep the ciporoke as long as the building materials last.

A grand opening ceremony honoring the ciporoke and the Annual Achievement Party was held on September 11. The Wisconsin Dells Singers and dancers were highlighted during the ceremony. The party was the kick-off for the museum's annual campaign for fundraising events.

The Mitchell Museum features American Indian and First Nation peoples' art, history and culture. The museum has been named the "Best

Museum of The North Shore: Up and Comer" by Make It Better magazine. The museum has also won the Superior award given by the Illinois Association of Museums. It was also named a national finalist by the American Association of State and Local History award program.

"The Mitchell Museum of the American Indian's mission is to promote and share a deeper understanding and respect of Native American People, through the collection, preservation and interpretation of their art and material culture," said Kathleen McDonald, Executive Director of the Mitchell Museum. "When John Dall, of the Ho-Chunk Chicago office, presented the idea of building a ciporoke in Chicago, to the Chicago American Indian Community Collaborative, we jumped at the chance to provide a location to build a ciporoke. This project fit perfectly with our museum's mission"

"Thanks and appreciation to the project committee including JoAnn Maney, Ben Krause, Representative Matt Mullen, Executive Director Kathleen McDonald, Janelle L. Stanley- Curator of Exhibits and Collections and Steve Wheeler- Blackfoot Board member who provided a barbecue for the construction crew the first night," said Dall. "Thanks goes to the Wisconsin Dells Singers and Dancers, Elliot Funmaker Sr., Carson Funmaker, Kerry Funmaker Sr., Heath Littlejohn, Robert Funmaker, Jr., Kyle Funmaker, Mary Funmaker and Destiny Whitecloud."

"The Wisconsin Dells Singers and dancers wowed many



The Mitchell Museum ciporoke building project was led by Ira Anderson, James and Jay Blackdeer.

new faces that came to the event. Even with a delayed start and two rainy days, we had people come out to learn about the building process. Jay Anderson, James and Jay Blackdeer were great in answering questions and engaging the people. Everyone is so excited to have the ciporoke at the museum and we hope that more people will be able to learn more about Ho-Chunk culture," said McDonald.

For more information about the museum and its special events and presentations, call (847) 475-2030 or visit www.mitchellmuseum.org.



Jennifer Howell, Public Relations for Mitchell Museum of the American Indian, displays the ciporoke banner.



Ho-Chunk Artist John Dall speaks about the ciporoke and Ho-Chunk culture.



PRIZES

1st : 300

2nd : 200

3rd : 100

Straight Shot Moccasin Tournament

When:

Wednesday, October 15th

@ 6:00 pm

Where:

District One Community Center

Multi-Purpose Room

Rules:

• 4 Horses

• 1 Pass through moccasins

• 4 person (minimum) team

• Double elimination

• Provide own moccasin set

• Must have a singer

• 18 yrs. or Older

Registration will be Closed by

October 14th 2014

Contact: Levi Or Melissa at District One

715-284-0905